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MANAGING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SERVER NODES

CONTAINED WITHIN A CLUSTERED

ENVIRONMENT

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed December 27, 2007, in connection with the above referenced patent application, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.